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Over a year and a half ago, in my dispatch No. 49, dated January 27, 1898, I asked the Department to grant me permission to reside, at least during the summer months, in some of the higher districts of the island, which are comparatively free from the malarial diseases, a privilege which had been enjoyed by nearly all my predecessors. Up to date I have received no answer to my petition. This last summer I have suffered immensely from frequent violent attacks of malarial fever. Under the changed condition of things surrounding the consulate I will be compelled in self-preservation to make some changes as soon as I can find some convenient place for the consulate. In the interim I deem it my duty to inform the Department of my intention, and to again ask the required permission from the Department to allow me to reside, at least during the six months of a Mauritius summer, in some of the interior towns of the island.

As stated in former dispatches, I am the only foreign official residing in Port Louis. All the English and colonial officials and foreign consuls reside in some of the interior towns of the colony, even the soldiers not being allowed to stay in Port Louis during the summer season.

Respectfully, yours,

JOHN P. CAMPBELL,
United States Consul.

MEXICO.

Inspection service at Mexico, Monterey, and San Luis Potosi.

MEXICO, MEXICO, *July 31, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to make my weekly report as follows: At Mexico 115 passengers were inspected; of this number, 3 were detained and baggage disinfected, and 112 were passed without detention or disinfection. At Monterey, for the week ended July 29, 56 passengers were inspected and passed. The inspector at Monterey, Dr. Walter H. Vilas, reports the health of that city to be very good. At San Luis Potosi, for the week ended July 29, 7 passengers were inspected and passed.

Respectfully, yours,

L. E. COFER,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SUPERVISING SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Passengers for Havana and New York via Vera Cruz to be inspected at City of Mexico.

MEXICO, MEXICO, *July 31, 1899.*

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that on and after this date passengers for Havana and New York via Vera Cruz will be inspected here, and certificates issued and baggage labeled according to their health status. When necessary baggage will be disinfected and labeled accordingly.

Respectfully, yours,

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